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TO THE OFFICE NOT LATER THAN THURSDAY EVE-
NING OF EACH WEEK, IF THEY ARE TO APPEAR
IN THE CURRENT NUMBER.

TRANSIENT NOTICES, FOR LARGER SPACE AND PER-
MANENT RATES, APPLY AS ABOVE.

It is distinctly and definitely charged
that St. John's position in the canvass was up
for purchase either to go out or to stay in.
He stayed in. How much did it pay him?
How much will it help temperance?

We have heard of several Independents
who say that they are sorry Blaine was de-
feated, that their only purpose was to ad-
minister a rebuke to the Republican party,
and that they had no wish to elect Cleve-
land. We can only say to the penitents
that we too are sorry that they did not do
their thinking first and their voting after-
wards.

It is difficult and useless to answer such
articles as that on hard times, in our last
issue. It is difficult in the same way that
it is hard to explain to a doubting child why
two and two make four. They do—but
why? So it is useless to argue with the
writer of such articles on land as a basis for
currency, for she has apparently never
heard of the French Assignats, and we
would have to instruct her as we went
along.

The Prohibitionists are jubilant over the
defeat of Blaine. Their principal political
director issues, in *The Voice*, a character-
istic piece of impudence, in which he says
this and more. The country, he declares,
has been handed over "to the enemies of
temperance" in order to render future com-
promise impossible. It is the same (to him)
as when the slavery party was put in
power. In like manner this is to end in the
defeat of rum! Beautiful logic! To set
up wickedness in order to destroy sin! But
the limb is off now between them and the
tree, and when the Republican party dropped
it dropped on them, for they fell first!

A Needed Improvement.

The statement of General Grant during
the war that if we wished to succeed we
must "push things" has a wide application.
To give a dog a bad name is to kill him.
The man who drops out of the current of
business is soon forgotten. When the
struggle for life ceases, death's footstep is
at the door. Our reason then for urging
new action is that there is no other way to
prevent decay. As a town we must move
onward or fall back into renewed stagna-
tion. The very name of "old fogeyism" is
the knell of doom.

The first two years have seen the re-
moval of many abuses. The needs of the
village have been met with commendable
wisdom and economy. A partial solution
of the road and sidewalk problems has been
reached. More than a half a mile of good
stone sidewalk, four feet wide, has been
laid as the result of the appropriation of
\$10,000 to aid this work. A piece of stone
road has been built, as an experiment, upon
the main street, to meet the needs of our
business and manufacturing community.
Gas has been supplied in at least a portion
of the streets, which have long waited for
it. The dangers of fire are met by the
presence of an excellent fire and water
system. Nothing remains except "to push
things." Keep the fire along the whole
line, and support every good project thus
far undertaken.

Scarcely less valuable to the town than
these natural benefits is the improved feel-
ing of pride in our village. We have as-
sumed a new attitude. We no longer de-
fend; but, like the politician, "point with
pride." Our improvement is not a myth;
it is an ever-present and gratifying reality.
Still there is much to be done; and, lest
the old demon of procrastination return, we
hasten to speak of a matter which should be
looked after by our good people. The
condition of the sidewalks from Franklin
street to Bloomfield avenue, and from the
store of Mr. Cyrus F. Pierson to the same
corner, demands attention. Always an
eyesore to the passer-by, it becomes, at
times, the source of considerable irritation
and danger, as each successive property-
owner cuts to grade, leaving his neighbor to
speculate upon the instability even of the
firmament itself. Were the place less cen-

tral, or had authority to remedy the evil
been lodged with the town fathers, we
had performed our duty by simply calling
attention to the nuisance. But the nu-
isance is as it were under our nose, and has
been so persistent in staying there these
many years that we weary our brains for a
solution of the problem.

Like most difficulties it has two sides.
There was a time when the present build-
ings and sidewalks held their proper rela-
tions to the street. The Road Board stepped
in and destroyed the equilibrium by cutting
down the roadbed of the avenue, which ne-
cessitated the lowering of Broad street,
leaving everything in its present unsightly
position. A change of grade usually in-
volves damages; but who shall pay them,
the town, which, along with the property
owners, suffered by the change of grade, or
the road board, or the owners themselves,
who were assessed both damages and bene-
fits upon the property? If damaged, why
did they not sue the county and recover as
others have done? If not damaged, why
blame the town, and expect pay from it?
In any case, is not all chance of recovery
lost through the lapse of time? The work
of the road board was done more than two
years ago, and its awards for damages long
since paid. No claims for damages, we
think, can properly lie against the town-
ship. Legal recovery is impossible. Yet
we distinctly recognize a damage done to
the individual, in which the township shares;
and we wish to suggest a simple remedy,
fair to both sides, and likely to promote the
permanent beauty and prosperity of the
town.

Let the property owners unite in a peti-
tion to the Township Committee asking
that the sidewalk be cut to grade, and the
walk properly relaid, with the express un-
derstanding that no suits will be brought to
recover damage to stone or house, then let
the township or sidewalk district appropri-
ate the amount of money necessary to com-
plete the work. We think the proposition
fair, wise and judicious. Can anyone sug-
gest a better?

Let us meet the difficulty like men, and
be done with it at once.

The Political Clergyman.

Among the teachings of the campaign
just over, that it will be well if both parties
take to heart, is the fact that as politicians
clergyman are a failure.

Take most of them, and you can predict
with safety, that if they dabble with politics,
they will make fools of themselves, and like
a kicking gun, hurt their friends worse than
their foes. From the beginning to the end
of the campaign the political clergyman have
been the chief purveyors of filth and the
principal apologists of wrong. From the
"old pastor," certifying to the virtues of his
parishioner, the "association of ministers,"
testifying to the virtues of a neighbor, the
"popular preacher," excusing the breach of
a commandment, to the "insignificant time-
rant," seeking fame through the sewer of
his imagination, and the "alliterative minis-
ter," playing havoc with his friends, all have
done more harm than good, and come out of
the conflict with their influence for good
lessened or destroyed.

Even if the political clergyman was a
valuable ally, it would be a question for
discussion, whether his assistance would not
be too dearly purchased at the price of his
reputation for charity and truthfulness. A
clergyman by his very habits of thought is
unfitted for politics; he is by nature a radi-
cal; he is so accustomed to fighting wrong,
that he learns to believe that everything he
fights is wrong. He carries into politics,
not an impartial judgment, but a combative
spirit, and in the heat of the battle loses
sight of the virtues of charity, humility and
peace.

Were there no other reason for banishing
the political clergyman, it would be sufficient,
that it is most dangerous to the cause of
Christianity, to hear the same man preach
from the pulpit the beauties of charity and
truthfulness, and from the platform belch
forth invective against his political oppo-
nents, rail at them as public enemies and at
their success as a national misfortune.

No man who listens to both but comes
away with a feeling, that with the political
clergyman, truth and charity are reserved
for the pulpit, to be preached, not practiced,
to be taught, not learned. But aside from
this the late campaign has taught both sides
that the zeal of a political clergyman out-
strips his wits and that as an ally or tool he
is not to be trusted.

It is as certain as any future thing can
be, that four years hence the political clergy-
man will wear a muzzle.

Let us See.

The statement has been made that the
CITIZEN assured its subscribers and stock
holders at the first that it was to be non-
partisan, and that, in spite of that assurance,
its tone during the late campaign has been
aggressively Republican. A breach of con-
fidence is therefore charged. Let us see.

If by non-partisan is meant indifference
to the great political questions of the day,
or weak-minded inability to decide upon
them, or lack of courage plainly and vigor-
ously to state and maintain opinions once
formed, then those who supposed that this
skinned-milk policy would be pursued by
the CITIZEN were strangely ignorant of the
character of the men who dictate the tone
of it. Sitting on a fence is an occupation
not considered either comfortable, commenda-
ble or safe by the conductors of this jour-

nal. We have never either said or implied
anything to lead one to suppose to the con-
trary. We have invariably declared our
allegiance to the Republican party. We are
Republicans because we believe the Repub-
licans are right and the Democrats wrong,
and we shall continue in the future, as in
the past, to maintain this opinion in no
doubtful manner.

Notwithstanding our own decided opin-
ions, however, we have several times most
distinctly stated that we fully recognized the
rights of our Democratic friends, and that
our columns should be always at their
disposal for the presentation of their views.
Have we not kept our word to the fullest
extent? Is there a Democrat in this town
who has not always had as much space as
he wished for, to put his side of the question
before the voters of the town? We be-
lieve in a full, free and fair discussion, and
if any Democrat thinks the readers have had
too much Republicanism and too little
Democracy, he may blame his own indo-
lence or incompetency. He certainly could
not expect us to write up both sides of the
question. In point of fact, we do not be-
lieve our Democratic readers, to any great
extent, have been displeased with the course
of the CITIZEN. We give the straight-out
Democrat credit for the same sincerity of
purpose and conviction we are conscious of
ourselves, and we venture to assert that we
stand higher in his estimation to-day than
we should have done had he contemplated
us in the ridiculous and undignified posture
of straddling a fence.

As for giving political satisfaction to the
"Independents" of the last canvass, we
have not tried it. What would be thought
of the sanity of one who should seriously
attempt to embrace an eel?

Westminster Lyceum Course.

The thanks of the community are due the
trustees of Westminster Church for once
more affording the opportunity of attending
a series of admirable entertainments at an
astonishingly low price. No organization
has ever succeeded in the attempt to furnish
us regularly with good entertainments at
low rates. There cannot be much money
in the speculation, and whatever there is,
we are sure the projectors of the enterprise
are well entitled to. The benefit to the
society of the town is a very great and a
very real thing, and so long as our good
friends are not out of pocket we are not in
the least interested in the money part of it.

We state these views because there are
so many ill-natured people in this world
who cannot properly enjoy a gain unless it
represents also some other's loss.
Last year, through certain errors of in-
formation and perhaps of judgment, the
managers did not reach the excellent stan-
dard of the previous year. Experience has
not been thrown away upon them, and a
glance at the prospectus gives assurance of
a very fine course this season. There does
not appear to be a second rate affair on the
programme. Those who have not secured
season tickets should not fail to avail them-
selves of the chance to get a great deal of
pleasure for a ridiculously small sum of
money, by going to as many of the enter-
tainments still left as possible. Notice will
be given in the CITIZEN of the dates and
subjects.

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Leave Montclair—6:03, 7:15, 7:55, 8:45, 9:15.

11:50 a. m. 1:50, 1:58, 3:47, 5:00, 5:40, 6:25, 6:10.

6:57, 8:15, 9:40, 11:05 p. m. 12:20 a. m.

Leave Glen Ridge—6:06, 7:17, 7:57, 8:30, 9:17.

10:37, 11:37 a. m. 12:53, 1:43, 3:22, 4:47, 5:27, 6:13.

7:00, 8:18, 9:43, 11:08 p. m. 12:23 a. m.

Leave Bloomfield—6:08, 7:19, 7:59, 8:52, 9:19.

10:39, 11:39 a. m. 12:56, 1:45, 3:35, 4:49, 5:29, 6:15.

7:05, 8:20, 9:45, 11:10 p. m. 12:25 a. m.

Arrive Newark—6:23, 7:30, 8:10, 9:30, 10:50.

11:50 a. m. 1:08, 1:58, 3:47, 5:00, 5:40, 6:38, 7:26.

8:37, 10:08, 11:22 p. m. 12:34 a. m.

Arrive Newark—6:50, 8:00, 8:40, 9:10, 10:00.

11:20 a. m. 12:20, 1:40, 3:30, 4:20, 5:30, 6:10, 7:10.

7:55, 9:10, 10:40, 11:55 p. m.

FROM NEW YORK.

Leave New York—6:30, 7:20, 8:10, 9:30, 10:30.

11:20 a. m. 12:40, 2:10, 3:40, 4:20, 4:50, 5:30, 6:20.

7:10, 8:30, 10:00, 11:15 p. m.

Leave Newark—6:40, 7:15, 7:58, 8:43, 10:03.

11:03, 11:53 a. m. 1:13, 2:44, 4:13, 5:26, 6:03, 6:53.

7:45, 9:03, 10:38, 11:53 p. m.

Arrive Bloomfield—6:57, 7:26, 8:09, 8:55, 10:15.

11:15 a. m. 12:05, 1:24, 2:55, 4:24, 5:04, 5:37, 6:15.

7:05, 8:00, 9:14, 10:50 p. m. 12:04 a. m.

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10:41 a. m. 12:26, 3:42, 4:45, 7:09, 9:58 p. m.

Leave Montclair—5:33, 7:02, 7:55, 8:44, 10:52 a. m.

12:34, 4:50, 7:11, 9:10 p. m.

Leave Bloomfield—5:38, 7:06, 7:59, 8:48, 10:56.

a. m. 1:40, 3:51, 4:54, 7:14, 10:08 p. m.

Arrive New York—6:25, 7:50, 8:40, 9:30, 11:40.

a. m. 12:45, 4:40, 5:40, 7:55, 10:55 p. m.

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every Sunday, reaching Bloomfield a few minutes
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Leave New York—6:00, 8:30, 12:00 a. m. 3:40.

4:40, 5:40, 6:20, 8:00, 12:00 p. m. Leaves 23d

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Arrive Bloomfield—6:49, 9:21, 12:43 a. m. 4:19.

5:23, 6:20, 7:05, 8:39, 12:47 p. m.

Arrive Montclair—7:02, 9:25, 12:49 a. m. 4:24.